

OBSTACLES TO IRAQI PARTICIPATION
IN AREA DEFENSE *7 Arab States*

- I. Iraqi government favors regional pact:
 - A. Aware of Soviet danger.
 - B. Wants US-UK aid in army build-up.
 - C. Favors Turk-Pakistan pact.
- II. Obstacles blocking defense participation:
 - A. Local politics: dissension between Crown Prince and Nuri Said. Threatens pro-Western Prime Minister Jamali.
 - B. Anti-Western sentiment: forces Jamali deny seeking US aid and area pact.
 - C. Pressure from other Arab states:
 1. General opposition to military tie with West.
 2. Egypt against strengthening rival Iraq.
 3. Syria opposes.
- III. Anticipated developments:
 - A. Iraq will procrastinate on pact.
 - B. Will get stiff opposition to US aid.
 - C. Will stick publicly with Arab League